



## DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD

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### INTERPRETIVE OPINION

Pursuant to §103-50, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), all buildings and facilities constructed by, or on behalf of the State or any county, shall conform to the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG) and amendments. In accordance to HRS §103-50 and Chapter 11-217, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the Disability and Communication Access Board has authority to issue interpretive opinions to HRS §103-50 design standards.

**Docket:** **DCAB 2002-05:** Interpretive Opinion on ADAAG 4.28.5 Detectable Warnings at Hazardous Vehicular Areas. Are detectable warnings required at curb ramps that connect to accessible parking stall access aisles?

**Summary:** According to the U.S. Access Board and the Department of Justice, detectable warnings are required to identify the boundary between pedestrian safety areas and hazardous vehicular areas, which is not typically the case in parking lots. Where the curb ramp-to-access aisle route is sometimes used as part of the general pedestrian route, detectable warnings may inadvertently cue the blind that this is *the* accessible and approved route which continues beyond the truncated domes.

**Ruling:** For buildings or facilities subject to HRS § 103-50,

#### **ADAAG 4.29.5 Detectable Warnings at Hazardous Vehicular Areas**

Detectable warnings are not required at curb ramps that lead to parking stall access aisles.

[Rul: 08/02] (Auth and Imp: HRS §103-50)

If you have any questions or comments regarding this ruling, please call us at 586-8121.

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